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DIV. OF OIL, GAS & MINING

Re.: NRCS Closeout of Memorandum of Agreement 68-8D43-14-02

Dear Ms. Dean:

The USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) has recently completed a review of the Memorandum of Agreement 68-8D43-14-02 regarding mitigation of adverse effects to a prehistoric cave site (42KA7537) as part of the Kane County Emergency Watershed Protection Project, Kane County, Utah. The report NRCS sent to you along with the enclosed letter dated May 29, 2014, fulfilled NRCS' stipulations as stated in the agreement.

Upon subsequent review of the agreement, NRCS has determined that all of the other terms and conditions of the agreement have been met, and is therefore officially closing the agreement.

If you have any questions regarding close-out of the agreement, please contact me at 801-524-4587 or email: michele.devaney@ut.usda.gov. NRCS appreciates your effort and cooperation in successfully completing this project.

Sincerely.

MICHELE DEVANEY

Grants Management Specialist

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cc: (via email w/o encl): Andrew M. Williamson, NRCS Cultural Resources Specialist



May 29, 2014

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Reference: Archaeological Monitoring Summary and Supplemental Site Documentation for the Kane County Emergency Watershed Protection (EWP) Project Rock Quarry, Kane County, Utah (U-14-SH-0327p)

Dear Ms. Dean:

Enclosed is a cultural resources report titled Archaeological Monitoring Summary and Supplemental Site Documentation for the Kane County Emergency Watershed Protection (EWP) Project Rock Quarry, Kane County, Utah. Specifically, the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) provided financial assistance to Kane County to protect and repair public infrastructure at 10 work locations on the East Fork of the Virgin River near the communities of Glendale, Orderville, and Mount Carmel, Utah. However, the rock quarry for the project was placed in an area that had not been inventoried for cultural resources.

The NRCS cultural resources inventory of the unauthorized rock quarry resulted in the identification of a prehistoric cave site, 42KA7537, which the NRCS determined was eligible for the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP). It was also determined that the site had been adversely affected as a result of the unauthorized quarry. The adverse effect resulted from a road being cut through the site to access the top of the rock outcrop.

In accordance with 36 CFR Part 800.6, the NRCS in consultation with the Utah SHPO, the Kane County Commission, the landowner, and the Utah Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining (UDOGM), resolved the adverse effects to Site 42KA7537 through the development of a treatment plan detailing the measures used to mitigate the effects to the historic property. In the fall of 2013, a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) was executed and implemented pursuant to compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.

As detailed in the treatment plan, NRCS personnel completed supplemental documentation of Site 42KA7537 and monitored quarry reclamation activities within the boundaries of the site. In addition, site visits were conducted with the Kaibab Tribe before and after reclamation. No significant archaeological discoveries occurred during quarry reclamation. The enclosed report fulfills the mitigation stipulations described in the MOA and treatment plan. If you have any questions, comments, or concerns, please contact Tara S. Hoffmann, Cultural Resources Specialist, at 435-896-6441 ext. 124 at your earliest possible convenience.

Singerely,

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State Conservationist

Enclosure

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